Consulting Services(Renewable Energy /
Solar PV /ImplementationConsultant)

Country: Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal

Project: Promotion of Solar Energy in Rural and Semiurban Regions II

BMZ No.: BMZ-No. 2019 69 203

Project Executing Agency:

Nepal Electricity Authority Central Office, Dubar Marg Kathmandu Nepal

Tender: International Competitive Bidding: Tender for <u>Consulting Services</u>: "Implementation Consultant"

KfW Procurement ID: 507322

Prequalification

Project measures: Under the "Promotion of Solar Energy in Rural and Semi-urban Regions II" project (the "Project"), the German Financial Cooperation through KfW will provide a grant of EUR 6 million to co-finance three solar PV plants which will be owned and operated through the National Energy Authority of Nepal ("NEA" / the "Employer"). The plants with an aggregated installed capacity of around 8 MW are located in the Lamjung, Nawalparasi and Surkhet districts adjacent to existing hydropower plants on land already owned by NEA.

Requested Consultant Services: The services procured under this tender (the "Services") are for an Implementation Consultant with the following responsibilities:

- i. Support for tendering of works (FIDIC Yellow Book)
- ii. Support for supervision of works, handover, commissioning and DNP
- iii. Support for supervision of ESHS compliance
- iv. Support for financial management of project including disbursement management

- v. Impact monitoring
- vi. Support for reporting to KfW

Key Personnel profile: The Services are to be provided by a team of international and national staff experts with expertise and experience in the following areas

- i. Planning / design of utility-scale solar PV projects and associated infrastructure;
- ii. Tendering of works in accordance with IFI/MDB Guidelines and FIDIC Yellow Book;
- iii. Supervision of works related to utility-scale solar PV, FIDIC contract management and quality control of systems and key components in accordance with international best practice;
- iv. Development and application of Remote Management, Monitoring and Verification (RMMV) systems;
- v. Asset management, operation & maintenance of utility-scale solar PV projects and related capacity building;
- vi. Supervision of Environmental Social Health and Safety measures as laid down inter alia in the site specific Environmental & Social Management Plans based on national laws and World Bank Environmental and Social Standards (WB ESS); and
- vii. Implementation management of IFI/MDB projects including disbursement management and reporting.

Relevant experience in Nepal and/or the South Asian region will be considered an asset. Due to potential restrictions on international travel in consequence of the COVID-19 pandemic, the evaluation of human resources will put particular emphasis on the availability of adequate levels of local expertise and capacities in remote project management and quality assurance.

Minimum requirements: The Services shall be awarded to an independent consultant firm or joint venture / consortium of firms with a proven track record in the respective experience areas. The average annual turnover of the consultant shall exceed EUR 2 million (or other currency equivalent) for the last three (3) financial years. For joint ventures / consortia, the aggregated turnover of all members of the joint venture / consortium will be considered. Further information is available in the Prequalification document.

Procurement framework: This Prequalification for Consulting Services will be guided by the latest version of KfW's "Guidelines for the Procurement of Consulting Services, Works, Plant, Goods and Non-Consulting Services in Financial Cooperation with Partner Countries" (Update 2021 / available on www.kfwentwicklungsbank.de).

Usage of e-procurement: Applications and Proposals for this tender shall be submitted electronically only to the e-procurement platform by the provider Exficon GmbH. No physical submissions of Applications and Proposals are required. Further information is available in the Prequalification document.

To receive the Prequalification documentation, please contact Tender Agent assigned by KfW (Rene Meyer) under tender@renemeyer.org.

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